

SUBSISTENCE SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT AREAS

Southeastern Alaska-Yakutat Area

No marine waters are under jurisdiction for Federal subsistence management.

Prince William Sound Area

No marine waters are under jurisdiction for Federal subsistence management.

Cook Inlet Area

You may not take shellfish for subsistence purposes.

Kodiak Area

ADF&G crab permit required. You may take crab for subsistence purposes only with a subsistence crab fishing permit issued by the ADF&G.

ADF&G shrimp permit required. The operator of a commercially licensed and registered shrimp fishing vessel must get a subsistence fishing permit from the ADF&G before subsistence shrimp fishing during a closed commercial shrimp fishing season (or within a closed commercial shrimp fishing district, section or subsection). The permit specifies the area and the date the vessel operator intends to fish. No more than 500 pounds (227 kg) of shrimp may be in possession aboard the vessel.

Dungeness Crab:

Harvest Limit. The daily harvest and possession limit is 12 male Dungeness crab per person.

Only male Dungeness crab with a shell width of six and one-half inches or greater may be taken or possessed.

Taking of Dungeness crab is prohibited in water 25 fathoms or more in depth during the 14 days immediately before the opening of a commercial king or Tanner crab fishing season in the location.

King Crab:

Harvest limit: The annual harvest and possession limit is six crabs per household. Only the male king crab may be taken or possessed.

All crab pots used for subsistence fishing and left in saltwater unattended longer than a two-week period must have all bait and bait containers removed and all doors secured fully open.

Crab pot limit: You may not use more than five crab pots, each being no more than 75 cubic feet in capacity to take king crab;

Kodiak Area (continued):

Season: You may take king crab only from June 1 - January 31. In waters 25 fathoms or greater in depth during the period 14 days before and 14 days after open commercial fishing seasons for **red king crab, blue king crab, or Tanner crab** in these locations.

The following areas are closed to the harvest of king crab, except by Federally-qualified subsistence users:

- The waters of the Pacific Ocean enclosed by the boundaries of Womans Bay, Gibson Cove, and an area defined by a line ½ mile on either side of the mouth of the Karluk River, and extending seaward 3,000 feet.
- Afognak Island area. All waters within 1,500 feet seaward of the shoreline of Afognak Island.

Tanner Crab:

Harvest Limit: The daily harvest and possession limit is 12 male Tanner crabs per person. Only crabs with a shell width of five and one-half inches or greater may be taken or possessed.

Crab Pot Limit: You may not use more than five crab pots to take Tanner crab.

Commercial Season Limit: You may not take Tanner crab in waters 25 fathoms or greater in depth during the 14 days immediately before the opening of a commercial king or Tanner crab fishing season in the location;

Alaska Peninsula-Aleutian Islands Area

Shrimp:

Shrimp Vessels-ADF&G permit required: The operator of a commercially licensed and registered shrimp fishing vessel must get a subsistence fishing permit from the ADF&G prior to subsistence shrimp fishing during a closed commercial shrimp fishing season or within a closed commercial shrimp fishing district, section, or subsection. The permit must specify the area and the date the vessel operator intends to fish. No more than 500 pounds (227 kg) of shrimp may be in possession aboard the vessel.

Dungeness Crab:

Harvest Limit: The daily harvest and possession limit is 12 male Dungeness crabs per person. Only crabs with a shell width of five and one-half inches or greater may be taken or possessed.

Alaska Peninsula-Aleutian Islands Area (continued):

King Crab:

Harvest limit: The daily harvest and possession limit for king crab is six male crabs per person. Only crabs with a shell width of six and one-half inches or greater may be taken or possessed.

Unattended crab pots: All crab pots used for subsistence fishing and left in saltwater unattended longer than a two-week period must have all bait and bait containers removed and all doors secured fully open.

You may take crabs only from June 1 - January 31.

Tanner Crab:

Harvest limit: The daily harvest and possession limit is 12 male Tanner crabs per person. Only crabs with a shell width of five and one-half inches or greater may be taken or possessed.

Bering Sea Area

Gear: In that portion of the area north of the latitude of Cape Newenham, shellfish may only be taken by shovel, jigging gear, pots and ring net.

Shrimp:

Shrimp Vessels-ADF&G permit required: The operator of a commercially licensed and registered shrimp fishing vessel must obtain an ADF&G permit.

Harvest limit: In waters south of 60° N. Latitude, the daily harvest and possession limit is six male crab per person;

Unattended pots: All crab pots used for subsistence fishing and left in saltwater unattended longer than a two-week period must have all bait and bait containers removed and all doors secured fully open.

Season limit: In waters south of 60° N. Latitude, you may take crab only from June 1 - January 31.

Permit required: In the Norton Sound Section of the Northern District, you must have a subsistence permit.

Tanner Crab:

Harvest limit: In waters south of 60° N. Latitude, the daily harvest and possession limit is 12 male Tanner crab.